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1. At the Wulkow (N 53/2 49) ammunition depot about 130 concrete shelters, 10 x 10 meters in size, and two sheds, 5 x 70 meters in size, have been filled with AAA ammunition of 50-80 mm caliber, mortar shells of 50-160 mm caliber, and rifle ammunition. German ammunition formerly stored there has been shipped away. (1)
2. Ammunition, arriving at the ammunition depot monthly, in 30 boxcars, is cleaned and stored in concrete shelters. Ammunition from these shelters is loaded into boxcars or on trucks by Soviet soldiers and shipped away to an unidentified destination. The ammunition which arrives is often rusty. (2)
3. About 150 German laborers, including 60 women, are engaged in cleaning, greasing and packing old Soviet-made ammunition in the ammunition depot. The output per day for one laborer is fixed at 160 shells of 50 mm caliber, 80 shells of 80 mm caliber, or 40 shells of 120 mm caliber. (3) No Germans are used for loading ammunition for shipment.
4. The depot is commanded by a Soviet major who has six officers on his staff. From 1948 to August 1949 it was headed by Major Karpov (fnu), and from August 1949 to March 1950 by Lieutenant Colonel Shlapnikov (fnu). The guard detail of the installation totals seven officers and 100 enlisted men. The whole area is surrounded by a mesh-wire fence and a barbed-wire fence. Guards patrol between the two fences.

Comments:

- (1) This report supplies details on the large ammunition depot of the Second Guards Mechanized Army near Wulkow.
- (2) Rail transports from the depot primarily were sent to Altenhain, Hohenleipisch and Stendal.

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